

Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project
Advisory Group and Interested Parties

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RE: Residential Situation of Recipients of CRT Services

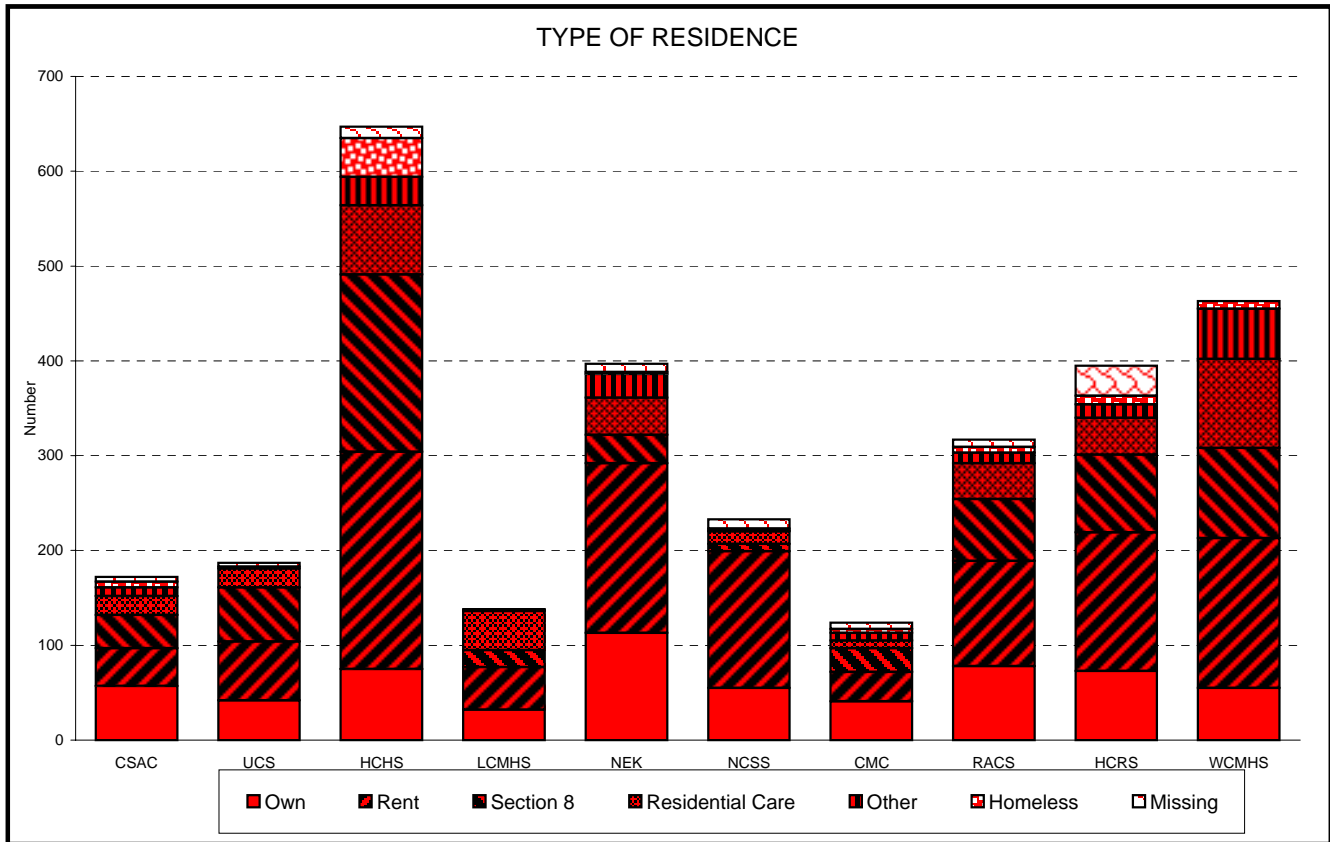
During the past week, the Vermont Performance Indicator Project received requests from both DDMHS and CMHC staff for information on the living situation of people served by Community Rehabilitation and Treatment programs in Vermont. This week's PIP summarizes information on the residential situation of people served by CRT programs during FY1999.

As you will see, almost 69% of all people served by CRT programs live in rented homes or apartments. Almost 40% live in unsubsidized rentals and almost 20% live in subsidized rentals. The representation of consumers living in subsidized rentals varies from more than 30% at UCS to less than 10% in the Northwestern and Northeastern service areas. About 20% of the people served by CRT programs live in homes that they own. The representation of homeowners varies from more than 30% in Addison and Orange counties, to less than 12% at Howard and Washington.

As presented here, these data are purely descriptive. In conjunction with other information, however, these data may contribute to our understanding of treatment outcomes, patterns of service delivery, and access to CRT programs in Vermont. Change in living situation (toward more independent living) is widely considered to be a core measure of treatment outcomes for people with severe and persistent mental illness. The degree to which CRT clients are housed in treatment settings is frequently seen as a measure of community mental health practice patterns. Finally, the living situation of people entering treatment may be used to measure the access to treatment for people in different social and economic situation.

In order to use these data to measure mental health program performances, it is important that we understand the quality of the data. Because these data represent reports by case managers regarding the living situation of consumers of mental health services, questions may be raised about the accuracy of the data, and the frequency with which it is updated (annual updates are specified by CMHC contracts with DDMHS). We will appreciate your comments about the accuracy and the currency of these data, and your suggestions for future direction in the analysis of these data. Please call 802-241-2638 or e-mail your comments to jpandiani@ddmhs.state.vt.us.

RESIDENTIAL SITUATION OF RECIPIENTS OF CRT SERVICES, FY1999



	Own	Rent	Section 8	Total Rentals	Residential Care	Other	Homeless	Missing	Total
Addison -CSAC	57	40	35	75	20	9	6	5	172
Bennington -UCS	42	62	57	119	20	2	0	4	187
Chittenden -HCHS	75	229	187	416	73	30	41	12	647
Lamoille -LCMHS	32	45	18	63	41		1	1	138
Northeast -NEK	113	179	30	209	39	25	2	9	397
Northwest -NCSS	55	144	8	152	13	1	2	10	233
Orange -CMC	41	31	25	56	8	8	4	7	124
Rutland -RACS	78	111	65	176	38	11	6	8	317
Southeast -HCRS	73	146	82	228	39	14	9	32	395
Washington -WCMHS	55	158	95	253	94	53	8	0	463

Other includes Vermont State Hospital, other psychiatric hospital or ward, jail or correctional facility, other residential setting, residential school, residential treatment, and out of state placement.